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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance.

Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in the International Search Report from the a communication from the Patent Cooperation Treaty International Searching Authority in a counterpart foreign application, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

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Based on reasonable inquiry, no document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement.

A copy of the listed document is attached. Also attached is a copy of the International Search Report.

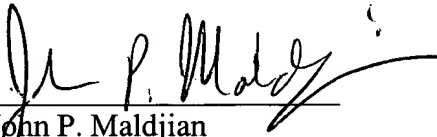
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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0309.

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